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MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF, PY

ATTENTION:

SUBJECT:

Response to your Request of 2 July 1952 for Data  
on PSB Question Concerning Satellite States

1. The following question has been posed: "Are plans now under consideration to meet the contingency which would arise if the satellite governments followed Moscow's lead in developing an interference-proof radio communications system?"

2. It is difficult to be adequately responsive to the question as presented because it is not altogether clear what is inferred. The word "contingency" could imply:

a. That the Soviet communication system is technically invulnerable to jamming or to other types of interference resulting from radio signals transmitted by means of propagation techniques;

b. The system operates efficiently and adversely interferes with U.S. (or our Allies') transmissions;

c. The system is no longer subject to being over-ridden by us.

3. The phrase "radio communication system" can mean:

a. Transmissions directed toward foreign audiences utilizing medium, long and short wave (broadcasting).

b. Communications in the narrow sense utilized for administrative purposes.

#. The short answer to this question would be yes, some plans are now under consideration. Plans that exist are in themselves excellent and involve the newest techniques. They are not, however, adequate to anticipate all the contingencies which could arise because they were not intended to embrace all aspects of the situation.

*in order* #. It is <sup>believed</sup> recommended that this entire question <sup>should</sup> be studied <sup>based on limited intelligence and the possibility of technical developments</sup> and that plans be drawn which will cover the entire range of contingencies.

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